power to SEBs on the basis of contractual agreement and standardised two part tariff.

— Necessary amendments to the Electricity Acts are being brought out sortly.

— A Special Cell is proposed to be created in Department of Power to deal with proposals expeditiously for private sector participation.

Recommendations of Ramdass Committee

923. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR:
SHRI KAMAL MORARKA:
SHRI YASHWANT SINHA:
DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ramdass committee appointed after the aircrash of A-320 aircraft at Bangalore has submitted its report;

(b) if so, what are its major recommendations;

(c) whether the Committee had pointed out any technical flaws; and

(d) what discussions the Indian team of experts had with the A-320 manufacturers at Tulouse, and with what results?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Copies of the Report are available in the Parliament House Library vide Index No. 621.13252R.

(d) A team of Indian Airlines officials had gone to France to discuss matters pertaining to delivery of A-320 aircraft. The problem of recurrence of snags was also taken up during the visit.

Re-introduction of Airbus A-320 aircraft

924. SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN:
SHRI G. C. SWELL:
MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE:
SHRI M. M. JACOB:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI JAGESH DESAI:
SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRI M. VINCENT:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether a decision has since been taken to put into service the 14 grounded Airbus A-320 aircraft of the Indian Airlines fleet in a phased manner; if so, what are the details in this regard;

(b) what are the circumstances which led in changing the decision to lease out/sell these aircraft;

(c) whether the Court of Inquiry which was appointed to go into the causes of the Bangalore aircraft involving an A-320 aircraft has since submitted its report; if so, the findings thereof;

(d) if the answer to part (c) above be in the negative, what are the reasons for taking such a hasty decision to re-induct the aircraft before the report is out;

(e) what additional intra-structure would be provided for safeflights and landing of the sophisticated aircrafts; and

(f) what is the estimated loss suffered by the Indian Airlines due to the grounded of A-320 aircraft?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) and (b) A Technical Committee under the Chairmanship of Air Marshal S. S. Ramdas was appointed to evaluate the state of preparedness of Indian Airlines for safe operation of the A-320 aircraft. The Committee has submitted its interim and final reports